

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF ACTIONS

Wednesday, May 23, 2012 Art Pick Council Chambers 3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA

CASE REVIEW - 4:30 PM

Case Review Roll Call

Rotker	Smith	Johnson	Sawyer	Ortiz	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
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STAFF: Frank Hauptmann, CPRC Manager; Phoebe Sherron, Sr. Office Specialist

Public Comment

Ms. Carranza addressed the Commission on her case.

Closed Session - Case Review

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 4:42 PM to discuss issues pertaining to PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL MATTERS.

	CPRC CASE NO.	RPD CASE NO.
1)	12-006	PC-12-02010

The Commission recessed at 5:30 PM to reconvene in the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING – 5:30 PM

Audio for the following proceedings is available on the CPRC website: www.riversideca.gov/cprc

Copies can also be obtained by calling the CPRC office at (951) 826-5509.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Regular Meeting Roll Call

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Public Comments

Valeria Hernandez said she doesn't understand why it takes so long for reports to be released. She asked commissioners to make their judgments based on facts. She also noted that she was at the hospital at 5:30, but wasn't told of her father's death until 1 AM.

Mary Shelton said that, at a recent conference she attended, she had learned that RPD's Policies and Procedures manual was being redone and that she thinks it would be good for CPRC to be involved.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
A) April Regular Meeting	Johnson	Santore	Unanimous	0	0

RPD Briefing

Preliminary briefing on the officer-involved death of Isabel Pablo Tomas on May 13, 2012

Asst. Chief Chris Vicino briefed the Commission on the Pablo Tomas incident. (The audio, along with the slide show presentations, is available on the CPRC website.)

Commissioner Johnson:

- What was the officer's code status?
 - o The officer was responding to a suspicious vehicle call; no lights or siren.

Chairwoman Roberts:

- What is the speed limit?
 - o 35 mph.
- Have there been any accidents here in the past?
 - o In a personal search, only found 2, but still investigating. Information of this nature will be included in the investigation. The intersection will also be evaluated.

Mary Shelton thanked RPD for the briefing. She commented on the fact that RPD vehicle accidents not investigated by outside agencies; asked what the officer was doing at the time of the collision.

Paul Chavez said it was a tragedy and that it shouldn't have happened. They are only investigating if the officer was on his radio, not if he was on his cell phone. He noted that that intersection has been a problem for years.

Bob Garcia said that Lt. Hoxmeier and Capt. Perea contacted him several times after the incident. On May 14th, he and other community leaders met with Lt. Hoxmeier, Councilman Davis, Frank Hauptmann and Commissioner Robin Jackson. They were told by Lt. Hoxmeier that the investigation would take about a month. He also said the city has offered assistance to the family. He thanked Asst. Chief Vicino for the briefing.

Morris Mendoza said it was a tragedy for both the family and the officer. He said he can't comment more until more of the facts are known, and he hopes that the community, RPD, and the family can work together.

<u>Informational Presentation</u>

Presentation by Lt. Mike Cook on the FBI training course he recently completed at Quantico, Virginia

Lt. Cook began by saying that it took approximately a year before he was able to attend the FBI academy in Virginia. When he finally attended, he was in Class 248 and one of 258 students who were in that class. Students came from all states, except Montana, and also from 28 countries.

The Academy was established in 1935 by J. Edgar Hoover to help law enforcement officers hone their skills. Approximately 45,000 people have graduated. While there, students live in dorms.

Lt. Cook told of 10 weeks of intense academic training. The classes he enrolled in were: Promoting the Law Enforcement Image; Investigative Interviewing; Stress Management; Ethics.

Aside from those classes, students had health and nutrition, then physical training courses each day. Every Wednesday, they had a physical challenge event, usually runs. If you complete "The Yellow Brick Road," a six-mile run in the woods which includes obstacles, you receive a yellow brick.

FBI Director Robert Mueller spoke at Class 248's graduation.

Lt. Cook concluded by noting that it was a positive experience, a good opportunity to refocus, and to establish relationships with officers from around the country. He said there are three or four others in RPD who have attended.

Commissioner Johnson:

- Any information you have regarding non-verbal indicators during investigative interviews might be helpful for the Commission.
 - o Absolutely.

Chairwoman Roberts:

- Have you kept running?
 - o Yes.
- What was the male-to-female ratio?
 - o It was mostly men. Maybe about 15 women.
- How are you taking what you learned back to PD?
 - Don't know that I learned something new, but it was more of a reinforcement of what was already known.

Mr. Hauptmann:

- Did you complete "The Yellow Brick Road"?
 - Yes
- The FBI National Academy is a prestigious academy worldwide. It's not easy to get there and complete it. Commend you for the accomplishment. Was there in January 2010 and got snowed in.
- Did you go to the range?
 - o No. It wasn't part of the training received. There was a tactical session, but wasn't able to attend.
- Range presentation is fascinating; it's an outstanding training tool.

Commissioner Santore:

- Were these courses redundant?
 - o Skills learned through the years are perishable. These courses helped to reinforce prior training.

Commissioner Smith:

Husband was there while a Marine at age of 27 and it was tough. Congratulations for completing.

Chairwoman Roberts thanked Lt. Cook for sharing his experience.

Outreach

A) May Outreach

Commissioner Johnson:

- April 27 received from CIONO a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Commission;
 thanked Ralph Nunez, Park and Rec, for his help, and Commissioner Smith for her help as well.
- May 4 K & N Filters' Car Show
- May 12 The Great American Cleanup, Bobby Bonds Park
- May 16 Presentation to Pace-Setters Club at the Kansas Avenue SDA Church
- May 17 Chief's Breakfast
- May 19 Blindness Support Services fundraiser

Commissioner Smith:

- April 27 CIONO event
- May 17 Chief's Breakfast
- May 19 Blindness Support Services fundraiser

Commissioner Santore:

- May 17 Chief's Breakfast
- 1-on-1
- May 21 "Safe In His Arms" Memorial

Vice-Chair Jackson:

- May 9 ACLU / RPD cross-training seminar
- May 15 Casa Blanca to meet with community leaders
- May 17 Chief's Breakfast; NOWs meeting
- May 21 "Safe In His Arms" Memorial
- May 26 will go to the Chili Cook-Off

Commissioner Ortiz:

May 17 – Chief's Breakfast

Chairwoman Roberts:

- May 10 Good Morning Riverside at the Mission Inn 1-on-1s
- May 17 Chief's Breakfast

B) Scheduled Outreach Events

Commissioner Johnson:

- Armed Forces Day coming up
- May 26 Memorial Day event at Kansas Avenue SDA Church
- May 30 Mayor Loveridge's final "Mayor's Night Out"
- June 2 Riverside Neighborhood Conference
- Western Police / Fire Games in San Diego cpaf.org

C) Future Outreach Opportunities

- 1) Input from Outreach Coordinator on upcoming outreach events
- 2) Input from Commission Members on potential outreach events

Commissioner Santore:

Last Mayor's Night Out will be where the first one took place

Bill Howe complimented Commissioner Johnson on his presentation to the Pace-Setters Club at the Kansas Avenue SDA Church.

OLD BUSINESS

CPRC Ad-hoc Committees

- A) Policies, Procedures, & By-Laws
 - 1) Appointment of new committee member

Chairwoman Roberts asked if anyone would be interested in filling the vacant seat on the Policies, Procedures, and By-Laws Committee. Vice-Chair Jackson volunteered to fill the vacancy.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Comment

Discussion and action, if any, on public comment form concerning when a speaker may address agenda items in order to conform with the Brown Act.

Chairwoman Roberts said a question came up regarding public comment and whether the Commission was in compliance with the Brown Act and the Commission is in compliance. She said that they met with the City Attorney, who told them the Brown Act gives members of the public the opportunity to speak on agenda items, and they can speak before discussion or after, but not both. Chairwoman Roberts said the process the Commission has adopted seems to be working okay so far.

Mr. Hauptmann added that as long as the Commission is not taking action, as long as there is no vote on an item, members of the public can speak before Commission discussion or after. However, once a vote is taken on an agenda item, there can be no public comment subsequent to that action.

Mary Shelton said she is glad the public comment issue has finally been laid to rest.

Staff Report

Mr. Hauptmann advised the Commission that, as a result of the recent TC / OID in Casa Blanca, he is looking for an expert traffic, or MAIT, investigator to look at the incident, as Mr. Bumcrot's expertise is in OISs / OIDs, not traffic investigations.

Commission Member Comments

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Commission members may use this time to make brief announcements or a brief report on their own activities.

Vice-Chair Jackson reminded commissioners that the Casa Blanca CAG meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday in June. She also noted that her youth, seniors, and disabled groups lists keep growing.

Commissioner Smith said she will attend the CAG meeting.

Commissioner Johnson thanked Bill Howe for the kind compliment.

<u>Items for Future Commission Consideration</u>

Commissioner Santore asked that the removal of Joe Brann's report from the CPRC website be discussed.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

PHOEBE SHERRON Sr. Office Specialist